

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 remain pending in this application. Support for amendments to Claims 8 and 9 is found in the *Specification* as filed, page 12, lines 9 to 24.

New Claims 21 and 22 are added. Support is found in the *Specification* as filed, page 14, line 8 through page 20, line 4, and in figures 4 to 9.

The Examiner rejects all the pending Claims 1-20 under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by Nadan (US 5,321,750), and under 35 USC §102(e) as being anticipated by Shimoji et al. (US 2002/0088007 A1).

Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's rejections. The present invention relates to an apparatus for continuously receiving update messages for a plurality of records. Amended independent Claim 1 comprises, *inter alia*, a processor for storing the update message and the ID of the update message to a data storage unit, without first processing the update message, when the ID of the received update message is not one of the selection of IDs. Amended independent Claim 13 also includes these limitations in substance.

Neither Nadan nor Shimoji et al. disclose a processor for processing the update message and the ID of the update message to a data storage unit, without first processing the update message, when the ID of the received update message is not one of the selection of IDs, as required by amended Claim 1.

Furthermore, under amended Claim 1 of the present invention, the second output, now defined by the data storage unit (350) finds no equivalence with the non-selected screen discussed by Nadan.

Shimoji et al. discloses, *inter alia*, a reproduction unit for reproducing the extracted set of image data. In contrast, amended independent Claims 1 and 13 of the present application do not require any reproduction unit to process the update message when the ID is not one of the selected IDs. In other words, the data storage unit (350) in Claims 1 and 13 stores un-processed update messages. On page 6 of the *Office Action*, Examiner respectfully incorrectly identifies the storage unit (102) for storing the extracted set of control information as equivalent to the data storage unit (350) of the present invention.

With the above claims amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's rejections of independent Claims 1 and 13 under 35 USC §§102(b) and (e). Accordingly, all the claims dependent on amended Claims 1 and 13 are also novel over Nadan and Shimoji et al. As such, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and

withdrawal of the rejections in this *Office Action*. Applicant also respectfully requests prompt issuance of a *Notice of Allowance*.

Fees

This *Response and Amendment* is being filed within six months of the *Office Action*, and more specifically within three month, thus no extension of time fee is believed due.

Two additional Claims are submitted herein, and thus authorization to charge deposit account No. 20-1507 is hereby expressly given for \$100.00 for the two additional Claims over the originally filed and paid for twenty (20) Claims.

Should any additional fees be due, authorization to charge deposit account No. 20-1507 is hereby expressly given.

CONCLUSION

By the present *Response and Amendment*, the Application has been in placed in full condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests early and favorable action. Should the Examiner have any further questions or reservations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned Attorney at 404.885.2773.

Respectfully submitted,

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